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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Ashkenazi et al. Docket No.: 39780-1618P2C79  
Serial No.: 09/909,088 Group Art Unit: 1646  
Filing Date: July 18, 2001 Examiner: Basi, Nirmal S.  
For: **SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND  
NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME**  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on February 1, 2007, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed with a Petition for Extension of time for **three** months and with a Notice of Appeal, with necessary fees.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **2** of this paper.